

2 Maccabees 1



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Middle English) **Bible
versions.**

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1:1 The
brethren the
Jews that be at
Jerusalem, and
in the land of
Judea, wish
unto the
brethren the
Jews that are

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**throughout
Egypt
health and
peace:**

1=2 God be
gracious unto
you, and
remember his
covenant that
he made with
Abraham, Isaac,

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**and Jacob, his
faithful
servants;**

1-3 **And give you
all an heart to
serve him, and
to do his will,
with a good
courage and a
willing mind;**

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1=4 And open
your hearts
in his law and
commandments
, and

send you peace

1=5 And hear
your prayers,
and be at one
with you,

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**and never
forsake you in
time of trouble.**

1=6 And now we
be here praying
for you.

1=7 What time
as Demetrius
reigned, in the
hundred
threescore and

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**ninth year, we
the Jews wrote
unto you in the
extremity of
trouble that
came upon us
in those years,
from the time
that Jason and
his company**

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**revolted from
the holy
land and
kingdom,**

**1=8 And burned
the porch, and
shed innocent
blood: then we
prayed unto the
Lord, and were
heard;**

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**we offered also
sacrifices and
fine flour, and
lighted the
lamps, and set
forth
the loaves.**

**1=9 And now
see that
ye keep the
feast of**

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**tabernacles in
the
month Casleu.**

1: 10 In the
hundred
fourscore and
eighth
year, the people
that were
at Jerusalem
and in Judea,

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**and the council,
and Judas, sent
greeting and
health unto
Aristobulus,
king Ptolemeus'
master, who
was of the stock
of the anointed
priests, and to**

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**the Jews that
were in Egypt:
1: 11** Insomuch
as God hath
delivered us
from great
perils, we thank
him highly, as
having been in
battle against a
king.

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1: 12 For he
cast them
out that fought
within
the holy city.

1: 13 For when
the leader was
come into
Persia, and the
army with him
that seemed

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**invincible, they
were slain in the
temple of Nanea
by the deceit of
Nanea's priests.**

**1: 14 For
Antiochus, as
though he
would marry
her, came into
the place, and**

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**his friends that
were with him,
to receive
money in name
of a dowry.**

**1 = 15 Which
when the
priests of Nanea
had set forth,
and he was
entered with a**

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**small company
into the
compass of the
temple, they
shut the temple
as soon as
Antiochus
was come in.**

**1 = 16 And
opening a privy
door of the roof,**

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**they threw
stones like
thunderbolts,
and struck
down the
captain, hewed
them in pieces,
smote off their
headazs and
cast them to**

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those that were
without.

1: 17 Blessed be
our God in all
things, who
hath delivered
up the ungodly.

1: 18 Therefore
whereas we are
now purposed
to keep the

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**purification of
the temple upon
the five and
twentieth day of
the month
Casleu, we
thought it
necessary to
certify you
thereof, that ye
also might keep**

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**it, as the feast
of the
tabernacles,
and of the fire,
which was
given us when
Neemias offered
sacrifice, after
that he had
builded the**

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**temple and the
altar.**

1 = 19 For when
our fathers were
led into Persia,
the priests that
were then
devout took the
fire of the altar
privily, and hid
it in an hollow

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**place of a pit
without water,
where they kept
it sure, so that
the place was
unknown to all
men.**

1-20 Now after
many years,
when it pleased
God, Neemias,

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**being sent from
the king of
Persia, did send
of the posterity
of those priests
that had hid it to
the fire: but
when they told
us they found
no fire,
but thick water;**

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1=21 Then
commanded he
them to draw it
up, and to bring
it; and when the
sacrifices were
laid on,
Neemias
commanded the
priests to
sprinkle the

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**wood and the
things laid
thereupon with
the water.**

1=22 When this
was done, and
the time came
that the sun
shone, which
afore was hid in
the cloud, there

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**was a great fire
kindled, so that
every man
marvelled.**

1=23 And the
priests made a
prayer whilst
the sacrifice
was consuming,
I say, both the
priests, and all

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the rest,
Jonathan
beginning, and
the rest
answering
thereunto, as
Neemias did.

1=24 And
the prayer
was after

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**this
manner;
O Lord,
Lord God,
Creator of
all things,
who art**

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**fearful and
strong,
and
righteous,
and
merciful,
and the**

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**only and
gracious
King,
1:25 The
only giver
of all
things, the**

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**only just,
almighty,
and
everlastin
g, thou
that
deliverest**

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**Israel from
all trouble,
and didst
choose
the
fathers,
and**

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**sanctify
them:**

**1:26 Receive
e the
sacrifice
for thy
whole**

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**people
Israel, and
preserve
thine own
portion,
and
sanctify it.**

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**1:27 Gather
those
together
that are
scattered
from us,
deliver**

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**them that
serve
among the
heathen,
look upon
them that
are**

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**despised
and
abhorred,
and let the
heathen
know that**

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**thou art
our God.**

**1=28 Punish
them that
oppress
us, and
with pride**

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do us
wrong.

1=29 Plant
thy people
again in
thy holy

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**place, as
Moses
hath
spoken.**

1=30 And the
priests sung
psalms of
thanksgiving.

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1=31 Now when
the sacrifice
was consumed,
Neemias
commanded the
water that was
left to be poured
on the great
stones.

1=32 When this
was done, there

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**was kindled a
flame: but it was
consumed by
the light that
shined**

**from the altar.
1=33 So when
this matter was
known, it was
told the king of
Persia, that in**

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**the place, where
the priests that
were led away
had hid the fire,
there appeared
water, and that
Neemias had
purified the
sacrifices
therewith.**

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1=34 Then the king, inclosing the place, made it holy, after he had tried the matter.

1=35 And the king took many gifts, and bestowed

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thereof on those
whom he would
gratify.

1=36 And

Neemias called
this thing
Naphthar, which
is as much as to
say, a
cleansing: but
many

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**men call it
Nephi**

